

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM MONDAY JANUARY 11, 2010

MUNCIPAL COMPLEX – ROOM 2

Meeting is called to order at 7:40pm

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea –Present

Suzi Leifer –Present

Pat Ondar –Present

Debi Richards –Present

Nanci Susino –Present

Tara Vitale –Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Randi Marder – Council person –Not Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates –Present

Also in attendance;

Girl Scout Troop 1795

Opening statement is read by Jeff Weiss, chairperson.

As the presiding officer of this meeting of the Marlboro Shade Tree Committee, I hereby declare that the notice requirements in accordance with the provisions of the open meeting law chapter 21, P.L. 1995 has been provided in accordance with the annual notice procedures of C 10.428 of said Act. I further order that this public announcement be place in the minutes of this meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes from the November meeting was made by Pat Ondar and seconded by Suzi Leifer.

Proposed Tree Park

The committee discussed how to begin the development stages of The Proposed Tree Park in Marlboro utilizing Open Space Land. The committee will work with the Open Space Committee and the Beautification Committee on the development of this project.

Open items from November meeting

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** – The Shade Tree Committee is entering year three of the Five Year Plan. The annual accomplishment report is due February 15, 2010. The committee will continue to meet its goals through Arbor Day, educational outreach, updating the recommended street tree list, participating in Beautification Day and researching grants for a hazardous tree survey.
- **Tree City USA** – The application for recertification has been submitted. All requirements for recertification have been met by the committee. Two of the four signs have been posted by the Department of Public Works. Application for the free trees used for Arbor Day is due February 22, 2010. Some members will attend the Arbor Day Training offered on March 6, 2010 at the Forest Resource Education Center in Jackson, New Jersey.
- **Chapter 32 Discussion** – The ordinance current status still remains with the township attorney.
- **Arbor Day 2010**- Arbor Day will take place on Saturday, May 1, 2010. The committee discussed and reviewed the following; planting options and locations for this event, maintenance of trees, number of participants and how we should communicate information with them, outreach education through the school system, craft ideas, guest speakers, event coordination, fundraising

and media coverage. All committee members chose a subcommittee for Arbor Day; Volunteers, Media, Education, Fundraising and Promotional items.

- **Beautification Day 2010** – The Shade Tree Committee will continue to support and work with the Beautification Committee in 2010. We will host the poster contest again for 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

- The application for the New Jersey Tree Federation renewal was submitted. The cost of \$95.00 was paid utilizing the budget.
- Educational Grants were discussed.
- The committee will look into further landscape needs at various locations throughout Marlboro for 2010.

The next meeting date will be February 8, 2010

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45. Motion to adjourn was made by Suzi Leifer and seconded by Tara Vitale.

